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FOLLOWING RPT OF MADRID 8755 DTG R 181155Z NOV 76 ACTION AE PARIS
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QUOTE
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SUBJECT: NARCOTIC CONTROL, DETECTOR DOG TRAINING

1. BECAUSE OF THE UPSURGE OF COCAINE SEIZURES AT BARAJAZ AIRPORT IN RECENT MONTHS SAIC PIERCE RECENTLY VISITED THE SPANISH CIVIL GUARD NARCOTIC DOG TRAINING FACILITY TO DETERMINE IF CIVIL GUARD DOGS WERE EFFECTIVELY DISCOVERING COCAINE AT BARAJAS AIRPORT. DURING THE VISIT SAIC PIERCE WAS GIVEN A DEMONSTRATION OF NARCOTIC DETECTOR DOG OPERATIONS WITH WHICH HE WAS EXTREMELY FAVORABLY IMPRESSED. DURING THE DEMONSTRATION IT WAS LEARNED THAT THE CIVIL GUARD DOGS HAVE ONLY BEEN TRAINED ON HASHISH DETECTION AND THAT TO DATE THE CIVIL GUARD HAS ONLY TRAINED 7 DOGS ONE OF WHICH DIED ON A RESPIRATORY INFECTION.

2. SAIC PIERCE ASKED CAPTAIN GIL REMACHO, THE DIRECTOR OF THE CIVIL GUARD DOG TRAINING SCHOOL IF HE WERE WILLING TO HAVE A COURSE WHERE HE BRINGS IN GUARDS FROM COASTAL AREAS OF SPAIN AND GIVES THEM A DOG WHICH HE THEN TRAINS IN NARCOTIC DETECTION. CPT. GIL REMACHO STATED THAT HE WAS WILLING TO DO THIS AND HAS PLANNED A COURSE IN WHICH HE WILL TRAIN 5 TO 10 CIVIL GUARDS AND DOGS IN NARCOTIC
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DOG DETECTION OPERATIONS. THIS COURSE IS SCHEDULED TO

BEGIN ON JAN 9, 1977 AND CONTINUE FOR A THREE MONTH PERIOD.

3. SAIC PIERCE ASKED IF THE COURSE THAT WOULD BE GIVEN WOULD INCLUDE COCAINE DETECTION TO WHICH THE CAPT. REPLIED THAT HES INSTRUCTORS LACKED CONFIDENCE IN TEACHING COCAINE DETECTION TO THE DOGS. CAPTAIN GIL REMACHO STATED THAT THE BEST SOLUTION THAT HE COULD THINK OF TO SOLVE THE CONFIDENCE PROBLEM WOULD BE TO HAVE A U.S. CUSTOMS NARCOTIC DOG TRAINING INSTRUCTOR VISIT SPAIN DURING THE JAN TO MARCH PERIOD AND GIVE SOME CONFIDENCE BUILDING INSTRUCTION TO THE SPANISH CIVIL GUARD INSTRUCTORS IN CHARGE OF NARCOTIC DETECTOR DOG TRAINING.

4. THE MADRID D O THINKS THAT CPT. GIL REMACHO'S PLAN IS A VERY GOOD ONE. HE HAS BEEN EXTREMELY COOPERATIVE WITH DEA AND CONTINUES TO BE SO. THE MADRID D O FEELS THAT HAVING COCAINE DETECTOR DGOS AT BARAJA AIRPORT WOULD UNCOVER SIZEABLE SHIPMENTS OF COCAINE BECAUSE MOST FLIGHTS FROM COLOMBIA, ECUADOR AND PERU TO EUROPE PASS THROUGH SPAIN.

5. REQUEST THAT THE PARIS REGIONAL COORDINATE WITH DEA HQS AND U.S. CUSTOMS IN AN ATTEMPT TO MAKE THE PLAN DESCRIBED HEREIN A REALITY. STABLER UNQ TESTABLER

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